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TAGS: EAGR, UNWFC

SUBJECT: WORLD FOOD COUNCIL (WFC)

REF: ROME 18859 (1977), ROME 19808 (1977)

1. WASHINGTON AGENCIES WOULD APPRECIATE A STATUS REPORT ON PREPARATIONS FOR WFC FOURTH SESSION, PARTICULARLY CONCERNING MEETING DATES, PLANS FOR THE PREPARATORY MEETING AND THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA.

2. AT LAST REPORT, WFC SECRETARIAT WAS SEEKING ITS BUREAU'S APPROVAL FOR HOLDING NEXT WFC SESSION JUNE 12-14, 1978, PRECEDED IMMEDIATELY BY PREPARATORY MEETING JUNE 8-9. THE US HAS NO OBJECTION TO THE SCHEDULE PROPOSED, AND WOULD UNCLASSIFIED

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APPRECIATE KNOWING WHETHER FINAL DECISION HAS BEEN MADE.

3. INFORMAL DISCUSSION BETWEEN USDA REPS AND WFC DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WALTERS INDICATED THAT FOLLOWING PROVISIONAL AGENDA WAS UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. GENERAL FOLLOW-UP REPORT ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF

THE THIRD SESSION.

2. REVIEW OF MEASURES FOR INCREASING FOOD PRODUCTION  
IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, PARTICULARLY PREPARATION OF FOOD  
INVESTMENT STRATEGIES.

3. REVIEW OF NUTRITION ACTIVITIES IN DEVELOPING  
COUNTRIES AND BY INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.

4. AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, PARTICULARLY A REVIEW OF  
CGIAR ACTIVITIES AND NATIONAL RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS.

5. STATUS OF PREPARATIONS FOR THE WORLD CONFERENCE  
ON AGRARIAN REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT.

PLEASE REPORT WHETHER ABOVE REFLECTS CURRENT WFC SECRETARIAT  
THINKING AND DETERMINE WHEN FORMAL AGENDA PROPOSAL WILL BE  
TRANSMITTED. EARLY TRANSMISSION WOULD PERMIT TIMELY USG  
RESPONSE. ALSO USEFUL WOULD BE WFC SECRETARIAT'S TENTATIVE  
TIMETABLE FOR CIRCULATION OF BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS.

4. FYI. INITIAL IMPRESSION IS THAT AGENDA PRESENTED ABOVE  
IS TOO LONG TO BE COVERED ADEQUATELY IN TIME AVAILABLE.  
IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF SOME ITEMS, PARTICULARLY NUMBERS  
1 AND 5, WERE IDENTIFIED AS PRIMARILY INFORMATIONAL IN  
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